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REMARKS

Claims 1-3 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Boor et al. Claim 1 has been amended to specify that movement occurs only along two separate, independent axes, thereby avoiding anticipation. Clearly Beer can move or rotate in any dimension. Claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Beer et al. in view of Mchdizadeh (though the rejection itself refers to "Grooms, WO 99/21515"). Even though Applicant believes claim 4 was allowable as filed, it has been amended to recite axes in anterior-posterior and medial-lateral directions, thereby avoiding prima facie obviousness.

Questions regarding this application may be directed may be directed to the undersigned attorney by telephone, facsimile or electronic mail.

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